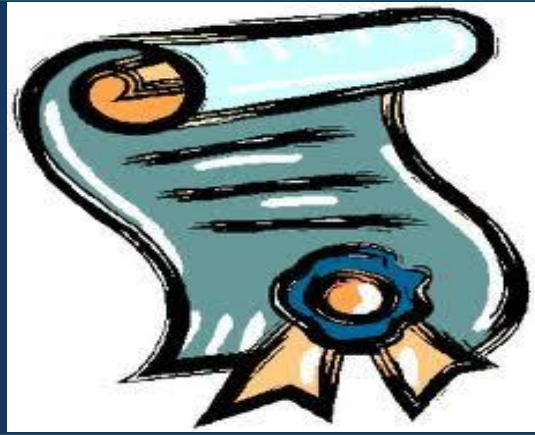


The Calvin Ball Bulletin

Budget & Legislative Special Edition: June 2015



Budget season in Howard County has concluded. I'd like to personally thank the citizens who lent their voice to this process.

Often times when we face financial challenges, we must make difficult decisions. I wish there was more we could have done but I feel the Council has passed a budget that worked within our means to protect our investments in education, infrastructure, public safety, recreation and other county treasures. Many of these projects are also aimed at promoting a more walkable and vibrant community including our plans to fund BikeHoward, the Inner Arbor Trust and other pedestrian improvements across our County.

Below you will find projects highlighted in this year's FY16 budget. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office. Again, thank you for staying engaged and I looking forward to seeing these projects bring excitement and added value to our neighborhoods!

~ Calvin



Bicycle Plan Projects (K5066) \$60,000

A project for the implementation of the comprehensive Howard County Bicycle Master Plan.

MD175/Oakland Mills Rd Interchange (J4237) \$1,000,000

A project to design and construct a new MD175/Oakland Mills Road interchange and the re-alignment of Oakland Mills Road through Blandair Park.

New/Third Police Station (P4928) \$2,000,000

Funds requested in FY16 should enable DPW to carry project through schematic design.

DT Patuxent Branch Trail Extension (T7107)

A project connecting DT Columbia at Lake Kittamaqundi and extending to the existing Patuxent Branch Trail. It would provide a car-free connection from DT Columbia to Savage; including the existing portion of the trail; and will connect to the planned east-west Hospital to Blandair Park multi-use pathway.

Pathway & Trail Rehab & Expansion (N3963) \$100,000

A project to rehabilitation and expand the existing Pathway and Trail System which currently extends from Savage Park through Columbia to Dorsey's Search. Project includes an evaluation and possible improvements to the Rt29 Pedestrian Bridge and its approaches and connects to the County's borders and rehabilitation of existing pathway and trail systems.

Routine Sidewalk/Walkway Extensions (K5036) \$200,000

A project to design and construct routine sidewalk and walkway extensions up to about 1,000ft in length. Current project locations include: Mellenbrook Rd, Old Annapolis Rd and Burnside Dr

Elkridge Library/Senior Center (L0015) \$6,732,000

A project to provide additional required public library & senior center space in the Rt1 Corridor of Elkridge.

Detention Center Renovations (C0333) \$8,556,000

The Department of Corrections is currently facing severe challenges and regulatory mandates that must be resolved through the renovation and expansion of the Detention Center.

Lincoln Drive at Cedar Villa Park Drainage (D1155) No Funding

There is an inadequate drainage system to carry the runoff from the park side of the road to the outfall side of Lincoln Drive. Additional drainage facilities are needed along Cedar, Georgia and Wye Avenue.

Comments: It appears the Council's previously appropriated funding should be sufficient to complete this project. Our engineers are currently working to receive acquire easements needed to proceed with this project.

Education-Related Projects

New Elementary School (E1028) \$2,807,000

A project to construct a new elementary school to relieve the Northeastern and Southeastern regions.

Deep Run Elementary School Renovation/Addition (E1030) \$1,821,000

A project to expand educational program spaces and renovate Deep Run Elementary School.

School Route Pathways or Sidewalks (K5035) \$700,000

This project is for the installation of sidewalks and/or pathways to provide for improved routes for school children and are to be coordinated with HCPSS. Next sites in priority to be evaluated include: Old Frederick Rd, Montgomery Road and Crescent Road/Northfield Road.

Park Systemic Improvements (N3108) \$2,500,000

This project will provide for the installation of 3 high school turf fields.

HCC Science, Engineering and Technology Building (M0536) \$1,728,000

Renovate the Nursing Building and ST Building following the move of health sciences programs and science, engineering and technology programs into their new buildings.

Barrier Free Projects (E0989) \$200,000

A project to include the installation of ramps, alteration of restrooms, fixtures and drinking fountains, and various modifications to make all remaining spaces (school buildings and school sites) accessible to the public, students, teachers and staff. This funding will allow school facilities to comply with federal, state and local regulations and be made accessible to persons with disabilities by removing barriers to access.

Wilde Lake Middle School Replacement (E1031) \$18,234,000

A project to replace Wilde Lake Middle School, which will provide capacity for 780 students. In funding for FY16, of which \$9,533,000 is state grants. This project is estimated to be complete in August 2017.

Waverly Elementary School (E0973) \$3,770,000

This project is to construct additional classroom and additional core infrastructure space and renovate the existing building.

Patuxent Valley Middle School Renovation (E1033) \$10,000,000

A project to expand educational program spaces and renovate Patuxent Valley Middle School.

Swansfield Elementary School (E1034) \$9,875,000

A project to expand educational program spaces and renovate Swansfield Elementary School.

Planning & Design (E1038) \$300,000

Established to provide funding for feasibility studies prior to the funding of individual projects.

Roofing Program (E0994) \$5,000,000

A project to include reroofing for various schools. Projects tentatively scheduled to be constructed in Summer 2015 include: Wilde Lake High School, Centennial High School and Harper's Choice Middle School.

Systemic Renovations (E0980) \$9,263,000

Improvements and installation of systemic renovations at various school sites including: Mayfield Woods MS Electronics (Fire Alarm) – Construction Summer 2015; Rockburn ES Boiler – Construction Summer 2015

Relocatable Classrooms Program (E0993) \$1,200,000

This program provides funds for the relocation of existing portable classrooms or purchase of new portable classrooms to be placed at schools in need of additional capacity in August 2015.

E1021 Technology \$5,000,000

A capital project to provide and sustain a viable technology infrastructure consistent with the HCPSS technology plan at various school sites.

Other District 2 or County Projects

US Rt 1 Rt 175 to Montevideo Road (J4241) \$50,000

A project for the design and reconstruction of approximately 2,500ft of US1 from MD175 to Montevideo Road

Street Lighting Program (T7094) \$20,000

This project is for the installation of new street lights in existing communities and commercial/industrial areas and the conversion of existing street lights to high pressure sodium vapor (HPS) and/or LED fixtures. Projects in design include: Rusty Rim community, Emerson Hill community, Gate Sill, Live Oak Ct, Stabean Dr, Temora Manor Ln and Fall River Row Ct.

Intersection Improvement Program (T7106) \$730,000

This project is for the study, design and construction of geometric and pedestrian modifications to improve the safety or increase capacity at various intersections. Projects completed include: Mayfield Ave (replace speed humps); Brampton Pkwy @ Yorkshire Dr/Red Hill Way (mini roundabout); Thunder Hill Rd @ Lightning View (Pedestrian refuge island); Old Montgomery Rd @ Tamar Dr (Jeffers Hill) Roundabout Feasibility Study. Proposed projects include: Gov. Warfield Pkw @LPP "T" (Roundabout feasibility study); Downtown – Cordon line study; Warwick Way/Birmingham Way/Enfield Dr/Star Chaser Cir (mini roundabout); HiTech Rd at Coca-Cola Dr (right turn island); Other Oakland Mills intersection and bicycle improvements; Marshalee Dr/Montgomery Rd/Deborah Jean Dr (roundabout)

Meadowridge Force Main Replacement (S6279) \$650,000

A project for the design and construction of 2,500LF of 8-in replacement force main and improvements to the Meadowridge Wastewater Pumping Station.

Community Service Partnerships (CSP) \$10,449,401

Community Service Partnerships (CSP) represents county contributions to various groups within the community providing a wide variety of services. CSPs are divided into three groups: Arts & Tourism, Civic Organizations and Human Service Grants. Agencies awarded funding in FY2016 include: Adaptive Living, African Art Museum of Maryland, ARC of Howard County, Howard County Arts Council, Bridges to Housing Stability, Camp Attaway Inc, Community Action Council, Center for African American Culture, Ellicott City Partnership, Family & Children's Services of Central Maryland Inc, FIRN Inc, Gilchrist Hospice Care, Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center Inc., HC Autism Society, Healthy Howard, HopeWorks Humanim Inc, Inner Arbor Trust, Korean American Community Assn, Laurel Advocacy & Referral, Legal Aid, Living in Recovery, makingChange, MD Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, NAMI, Nat'l Family Resiliency Center, Neighbor Ride, On Our Own, Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Pathways Fund, Plan to End Homelessness, St John, Supplemental Fund, Tourism Council, Voices for Children, Way Station, and Winter Growth.

Projects Not Funded**Downtown Columbia-Oakland Mills Connection Improvements (B3863) No Funding**

A project to provide a feasibility study, design and construction of enhancements to existing and potential future connections over US29.

Comments: I'm disheartened no funding was allocated in FY16. However, I'm hopeful for an ongoing dialogue

given my commitment towards strengthening a connection between east and west Columbia..

Community Renewal/Enhancements (C0287) No Funding allocated

A project to design and implement a series of pedestrian improvements, streetscape enhancements and repair or enhancements of public green spaces. Projects include: Oakland Mills Streetscape Phase I (White Acre). *Comments:* Given that no funding was allocated to this project, unfortunately Phase I will be delayed.

Oakland Mills Middle School Renovation (E1036) No Funding

This project will renovate the existing facility.

Playground Equipment (E0990) No Funding

A project to improve and install playground equipment at various school sites.

Blandair Park (N3102) No Funding

A project to master plan, design, and construct a 298 acre regional park, and restore the 19th century Blandair Mansion and out buildings located off MD175 in Columbia.

Comments: I'm disappointed this project was not funded in FY16 as this is a much valued community recreational resource. However, with the Council's funding in prior budget years the construction of Phase II and design of Phase III will continue. It's my hope this project will be funded for FY17.

Troy Park (N3957) No Funding

A project to rehabilitate an 1820 historic house, and design and construct a 106 acre Regional Park at MD100 and US1.

Comments: I'm disappointed this project was not funded as I firmly believe this is a much valued community recreational resource for our Elkridge community and northeastern corridor, I'm pleased the Council's funding in our prior budget years has allowed construction to continue. It's my hope this project will be funded for FY17. If not, I'm unsure we will have adequate funding for future phases.

Road Resurfacing Program (H2014) No funding

A project to provide resurfacing to various County Roads that are selected and prioritized by the Road Surface Management System. Milling, patching, shoulder improvements, surface-seal, curbs, pavement assessment and other road preparation work may also be required under this project.

Comments: For the first time in decades, the CE did not allocate any funding for this project.

School Crosswalk Improvements (T7088) No Funding

A project for the improvements or modifications of crosswalks, raised crosswalks, or other improvements for an enhanced walking route for school children and will not proceed until the School System endorses specific locations. Prior funding approved by the Council in previous years could be used to help fund projects planned in the proposed FY16 Capital Budget which include: Farewell Rd – bump outs and crosswalk; Burntwoods Rd at Sharp Rd – sidewalk; Sidewalk/ramp replacement at various school walking areas; School flasher equipment upgrade to permit programming of school closure schedule; Green Mountain Cir at Windstream Dr – pedestrian refuge island; Ellis Ln – ADA ramps.



Learn how the County Council is working for you! Last week was prefile, which is the deadline for Councilmembers to introduce legislation for consideration the upcoming month. Below are the bills that were prefiled as well as those that were prefiled in May but not introduced but will be done in June for the Council's consideration. Once legislation is formally introduced, which is at our Legislative Session, the first Monday of the month, we welcome residents to submit testimony by emailing the Council at councilmail@howardcountymd.gov. As you may know, the Council generally hosts our public hearings the 3rd Monday of each month. If you prefer, you are invited to testify before the Council during that time. To sign-up in advance to testify, click [here](#).

I hope you find this newsletter informative and use this opportunity to become an integral part of our legislative process.

INTRODUCTIONS

All current Council legislation can be found [online](#). All Prefiled legislation can be found online by [clicking here](#).

APPOINTMENTS

CR46-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Louis Earl Armiger to the Public Transportation Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR47-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Heidi Burghardt to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR48-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Brad Closs to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR49-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Susan Garber to the Planning Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR50-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Peter M. Hong to the Pension Oversight Commission.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR51-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elizabeth Anne Larney to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR52-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Diane B. Mikulis to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR53-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Charles A. Phillips, Jr., to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed
Votes:

CR54-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michael Smith to the Recreation & Parks Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR55-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Vickie Walker to the Housing Commission.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR56-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Andrew Weinrub to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR57-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Edward P. Wilson to the Environmental Sustainability Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR58-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Darryl L. Burnett to the Board of Health.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR59-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Eileen Diggs, LCSW-C, to the Board of Social Services.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR60-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Ronald J. Hartman to the Public Transportation Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR61-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Michelle Henry to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR62-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Joanne Kiebler to the Recreation & Parks Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR63-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Archana Goel Leon-Guerrero, M.D., to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR64-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Paul G. Nagy, Ph.D., to the Board of Health.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR65-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Nikki Young to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR88-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Mohammed Shiraz Ahmed to the Human Rights Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR89-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ivan R. Betancourt to the Human Rights Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR90-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Fred L. Coover to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR91-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Barry C. Curtis to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR92-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of James Filipczak, Ph. D., to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

CR93-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elliott Finkelstein to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR94-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Stephen Foster to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR96-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gwynn Marsh-Armstrong to the Howard County Local Children's Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR97-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of John C. Monahan to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR98-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Scepter Spainbey to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR99-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Omar Aziz to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR100-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Chuen-Chin Bianca Chang to the Human Rights Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR101-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Maria Mouratidis, Psy. D. to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR102-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Thomas Schmidt, R.N. to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR103-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Diana Carson Seybolt, Ph.D. to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

GENERAL

CB27-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving an Assignment and Amendment of Lease Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and ODC-Retail, LLC, for the lease of space known as Suites I, J, and K located at 9900 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland; and authorizing the County Executive to take certain actions in connection with the Agreement.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR44-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION endorsing the provision of financing by the State Department of Business and Economic Development for economic development projects in Howard County and certifying that the projects are consistent with the County's plan for economic development.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR67-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, declaring that certain real property owned by Howard County, Maryland, containing approximately 0.098 acres, and located at 8518 Frederick Road, Ellicott City, Maryland is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not

bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR68-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, declaring that certain real property known as the "Flier Building" owned by Howard County, Maryland, containing approximately 2.159 acres, and located at 10750 Little Patuxent Parkway, Maryland is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR69-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, declaring that certain real property known as the "Hurst Building" owned by Howard County, containing approximately 1.92 acres, and located at 9770 Washington Boulevard and 9790 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland, is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use.

Previous Action: Prefiled in May, Introduction delayed

Votes:

CR104-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION adopting the Housing Unit Allocation Chart for Fiscal Year 2016 pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR105-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION adopting the Open/Closed Chart, pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County, to designate the school regions and school districts that are open for residential development.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR106-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code declaring that a Public Sewer and Utility Easement comprising approximately 0.050 acres and located across 5110 Talbots Landing in Ellicott City is no longer needed by Howard County, Maryland for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate the property interest, vesting title to the underlying property owners; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to abandon the easement if he finds that the easement may have a further public use.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR107-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code declaring that a portion of a Public Traffic Signal Accessory Device and Utility Easement comprising approximately 0.0183 acres and located along Broken Land Parkway is no longer needed by Howard County, Maryland for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate the property interest, vesting title to the underlying property owner; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to abandon the easement if he finds that the easement may have a further public use.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB28-2015

**Introduced by: Jon Weinstein, Councilperson
Co-sponsored by: Calvin Ball, Councilperson and
Jennifer Terrasa, Councilperson**

AN ACT prohibiting the use of Electronic Smoking Devices in certain public places and in certain places of employment; defining certain terms; and generally relating to smoking in Howard County.

Final Action:

Votes:

FINAL CONSIDERATION

APPOINTMENTS

CR45-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gary W. Kuc as County Solicitor.

Final Action:

Votes:

FINANCIAL (Non-FY 2016 BUDGET)

CR66-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the Board of Education

A RESOLUTION approving certain transfers between major categories of the Howard County Board of Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015; transferring \$1,800,000 to the Operation of Plant category and transferring \$2,500,000 to the Fixed Charges category.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB16-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2015 by transferring \$900,000 from the Department of Police to the Department of Public Works to account for increased costs for snow removal.

Final Action:

Votes:

GENERAL

CB17-2015

Introduced by: Calvin Ball, Councilperson

AN ACT requiring that healthy food and beverage options be provided on certain County properties and for certain county programs, under certain conditions; establishing standards for healthy food and beverages in connection with these requirements; providing exemptions for these requirements; establishing certain requirements on placement, pricing, advertising and marketing of food and beverages in relation to these requirements; establishing certain duties for the Office of Purchasing in relation to these requirements; and generally relating to healthy food and beverages.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB18-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending *PlanHoward 2030*, the general plan for Howard County, to include Patapsco Heritage Area Management Plan and recognizing that the Plan is a way to further opportunities for recreation, environmental and historic conservation, and heritage tourism and to support economic development; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB19-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a Second Amendment to Lease Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and LSOP 3 MD 3 LLC for the lease of space located at 9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, Maryland; and authorizing the County Executive to take certain actions in connection with the Agreement.

Final Action:

Votes:

BUDGET FY 2016

CB20-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; providing pay scales for employees; providing certain specialty pays; making certain technical corrections; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CB21-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending the Classification Plan for Howard County; amending and adding certain class descriptions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to amendments to the Howard County Classification Plan.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CB22-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT correcting the County Code by providing that the County Executive is the appointing authority for the position of Executive Assistant II, consistent with the existing Classification Plan; and generally relating to human resources provisions in the Howard County Code.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CB23-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT adopting the current expense budget and the capital budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016, to be known as the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Howard County, Fiscal Year 2016.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CB24-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$127,126,691 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County capital projects (including bridge projects, general county projects, storm drainage projects, school system projects, fire and rescue projects, road resurfacing projects, road construction projects, roadside and sidewalk projects, library projects, community college projects, parks and recreation projects, police projects, sewer projects and traffic improvements projects), which are specified and described in the County's 2016 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain capital projects previously authorized in other calendar years, which such authorization has lapsed or will lapse), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CB25-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$134,446,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County water and sewer capital projects which are specified and described in the County's 2016 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain water and sewer capital projects previously authorized in prior calendar years which such authorization has lapsed or will lapse), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with benefit assessments, ad valorem taxes levied upon the assessable property in the Metropolitan District and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CB26-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in a principal amount of up to \$16,943,124 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County road construction projects which are specified and described in the County's 2016 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain of such capital projects previously authorized), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; authorizing and empowering the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with building excise taxes and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CR70-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving the Capital Program for Howard County for Fiscal Years 2017 through 2021 and the Extended Capital Program for Fiscal Years 2022 through 2025.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR71-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2016 operating budget for the Howard Community College and indicating appropriations for major functional categories.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR72-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for the Howard County Library System and indicating appropriations for object classes.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CR73-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION setting forth the Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget for the Howard County Board of Education.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR74-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for the Howard County Health Department and indicating appropriations for object classes.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR75-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving schedules for charges pertaining to the Metropolitan District, to water and sewer service, and to shared sewage disposal facilities.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CR76-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees for the functions regulated by the Department of Public Works.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR77-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees, fines and charges for functions regulated by the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CR78-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees and charges for functions regulated or administered by the Department of Planning and Zoning.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CR79-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees and rates for functions regulated and administered by the Department of Police.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

Enrolled CR80-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving fee and rate schedules for:

- (1) Applying for approval of an industrial development revenue bond or MIDFA bond or loan;
- (2) Solicitor and Peddler Identification Card;
- (3) Weekend Prisoners - Room and board;
- (4) Prisoner - Health care provider fee;
- (5) Participation in work release program;
- (6) Participation in home detention program;
- (7) Marriage license fee charge for funding of domestic violence programs;
- (8) Annual registration of trespass towing companies and maximum rates to be charged by trespass towing services;
- (9) Fee and specifications for transcripts of administrative proceedings; and
- (10) Reproduction of public records.

Final Action: Passed as amended on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR81-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION levying a tax on certain admissions and amusements, establishing classes of admissions and amusements, setting tax rates on different classes, and providing for certain exemptions from the tax.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR82-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION establishing a recordation tax rate on instruments of writing that are recorded with the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR83-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION adopting the schedule of rates for the Building Excise Tax.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR84-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION levying Fire and Rescue tax rates beginning July 1, 2015.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR85-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION levying a property tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016; setting the tax rates for property; and providing for the collection of the property tax.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

CR86-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION setting the fee-in-lieu rate for moderate income housing.

Final Action: Passed on 5/22/2015

Votes: Unanimous

THE PROCESS

The County Council is responsible for adopting the laws of the County. The legislative process generally follows a monthly cycle:

- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration
- 3rd Monday - Public hearing on legislation introduced that month
- 4th Monday - Legislative work session, if needed
- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration

Council bills must be signed or vetoed by the County Executive within 10 days of the Council's presentation of passed legislation.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Unless otherwise noted, the County Council will hold its meetings in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD. The next meetings are as follows:

- Monday, June 1, 2015 at 7:30 pm; Legislative Session
- Monday, June 8, 2015 at 8:30 am; Monthly Meeting
- Monday, June 15, 2015 at 7:30 pm; Legislative Public Hearing
- Tuesday, June 16, 2015 8:30 am; Quarterly Meeting w/ Board of Education
- Monday, June 22, 2015 at 4:30 pm; Legislative Work Session
- Monday, July 6, 2015 at 7:30 pm; Legislative Session
- Monday, July 13, 2015 at 8:30 am; Monthly Meeting
- Monday, July 20, 2015 at 7:30 pm; Legislative Public Hearing
- Monday, July 27, 2015 at 4:30 pm; Legislative Work Session
- Friday, July 31, 2015 at 10:00 am; Special Legislative Wrap Up Session

* Please note these dates are subject to change. To access the most up-to-date calendar of meetings, click [here](#).

Can't attend a meeting but still want to stay involved? You can stream the Council's sessions [online](#) and click on the meeting you would like to watch. The Council's sessions are also streamed in real time on this website.

I encourage our residents to stay tuned in if these topics are of interest to you. As always, I hope you have found this information insightful, and I encourage you to share this newsletter with your neighbors.

All the best,



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~ **Martin Luther King, Jr.**